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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In application of: Bruce A. Epstein

Application No.: 09/921,986

Group No.: 2162

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For: Information Collaboration and Reliability Assessment

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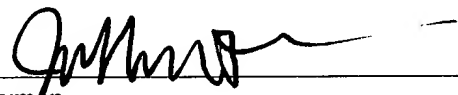
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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of July 5, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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